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March 29, 2004

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

(SR-6J)

Mr. Steven D. Smith
Solutia, Inc.
P.O. Box 66760
St. Louis, Missouri 63166-6760

RE: Trench Backfilling Approval - Groundwater
Migration Control System, Sauget Area 2 Site (Site R) -
St. Clair County, Illinois

Dear Mr. Smith:

Last week the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) reviewed trench bottom profiles and determined that the trench bottom between STA 14+40 and STA 17+90 had been cleaned of excess sand and backfill mixture. With this approval, Solutia is now authorized to proceed with trench backfilling operations beyond STA 14+40.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to call me at (312) 886-6840.

Sincerely,

Nabil Fayoumi
Remedial Project Manager
Superfund Division

cc: Thomas Martin, USEPA
Sandra Bron, IEPA
Peter Barrett, CH2M HILL